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material by means of a coater, and then dried. As a coating process, may be used a generally-used coating technique making use of a blade coater, air knife coater, roll coater, brush coater, curtain coater, bar coater, gravure coater or sprayer. The coating weight of the dispersion is within a range of from 0.5 to 60 g/m<sup>2</sup>, more preferably from 5 to 45 g/m<sup>2</sup> in dried state. As needed, the resulting recording medium may by subjected to supercalendering or the like so as to improve the smoothness of the ink-receiving layer.

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Please amend the paragraph starting at page <sup>50</sup>~~49~~, line 24, as follows.

Inks used in conducting recording on the recording media according to the present invention ~~comprises~~ comprise principally a coloring material (dye or pigment), a water-soluble organic solvent and water. Preferred examples of the coloring material include water-soluble dyes represented by direct dyes, acid dyes, basic dyes, reactive dyes and food colors. However, any coloring materials may be used so far as they provide images satisfying required performance such as fixing ability, coloring ability, brightness, stability, light fastness and the like in combination with the above-described recording media.

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 52, line 19, as follows.

A solubilizer may be added to the inks. Nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ketones are typical solubilizers. Its object is to enhance the solubility of the water soluble dye in the